



THEY'RE OFF AND RUNNIN' . . . Play in the adult basketball league got under way last week at the High School gymnasium and at Alondra Park. Here Big Bob Tichenor goes up (and we mean UP) to start a basketball on the way to a two-point swish. The photographer, blinded by the rifle flash, forgot to check to see if the shot was good. Enough was, however, to put the Teachers (Tichenor's team) in front of the Marines 59 to 44 when the game was over. (Herald photo).

Play in Adult Basketball Leagues Enters Second Week

Local basketball quintets got off to a wobbly start in the Adult Basketball Leagues last week when all but the Teachers dropped their first encounters to out-of-town gangs.

Harbor Hospital started the season by dropping their first with Hawthorne Merchants, 11 to 52. Feinwick's Shoe five followed suit with a 36-46 loss to Gunga Din of Hawthorne, and Columbia Employees bowed to Robertson's Insurance, 24-32. These games were all played at Alondra Park.

Mitchell Tops J. V. Harriers At City Meet

Narbonne's Johnny Mitchell is the new city jayvee cross-country champion. The lanky Gauchero harrier turned on a terrific finishing sprint, making up 15 yards in the final century to win by six feet going away.

Mitchell's time was 16 minutes 24 seconds for the course—some 10 seconds better than his winning time in a preliminary heat last week.

Coach Bob Baker's Narbonne team placed third behind Garfield and Canoga Park in team totals, with Jefferson, San Fernando and Dorsey trailing in that order.

Other Gauchero entrants finished in the following places: John Martinez, 15th; Don Tintin, 21st; Jerry Goodell, 25th; William Glasson, 58th, and Jim Wada, 62nd.

Banning High School won the 9th-10th grade division, while Garfield just nipped Huntington Park, 61-62, to win the varsity division.

THUNDER RANGE

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CITY RENEWS CONTRACT FOR JAIL INMATE CARE

The Board of Supervisors recently instructed Chairman Roger Jessup to sign agreements with Torrance and 18 other cities within the county to provide jail care and maintenance for the city's prisoners.

Supervisor Raymond V. Darby presented the motion to approve the new agreements which contain schedules for higher rates than those charged last year. The sum of \$1.57 per day will be charged for male prisoners and \$2.32 per day for female prisoners. The old rate was 95 cents per day for each prisoner maintained.

The cities in the Fourth Supervisorial District participating in the county service are Torrance, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Avalon and Culver City.

TORRANCE HERALD Sports

Gauchos Romp Toward Marine League Title

Narbonne's do-or-die cage variety heads into the home stretch tomorrow with a mathematical possibility for the Eastern-Marine league title despite two forced forfeits and an unexpected jolt from South Gate Friday.

Coach Wayne Sloss' classy quintet, one of the best ever put out by the Gauchoville basketball factory, journeys to Jordan tomorrow for a tough battle with the tall Bulldogs on their home grounds.

The Gauchos put on a second half sprint here a few weeks ago to down Jordan going away. But in the Jordan gym, the Bulldogs could be obstinate.

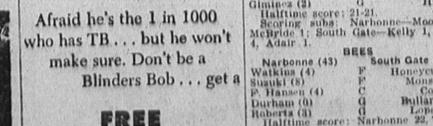
A second forfeit was handed to the speedy Gauchos Tuesday, when they were due to meet Ris. It should prove to be the last reminder of the ill-famed "athletic ban," but it also could take the championship away from Narbonne, presently residing in second place with seven wins, one loss, and two forfeits.

Downtrodden South Gate slowed down the action enough Friday to defeat the Gauchos, 40 to 35, in the biggest upset in the league this season.

The Ramblers laid down a zone defense that the Gauchos had difficulty breaking thru, and their accuracy in shooting over it left plenty to be desired.

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